EXHIBIT A

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004

Commission file number 1~13953

W. R. GRACE & CO.

Incorporated under the Laws of the State of Delaware

I.R.S. Employer Identification No. 65-0773649

7500 GRACE DRIVE, COLUMBIA, MARYLAND 21044-4098 410/531-4000

SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(B) OF THE ACT:

TITLE OF EACH CLASS

NAME OF EACH EXCHANGE ON WHICH REGISTERED

Common Stock, \$.01 par value Preferred Stock Purchase Rights New York Stock Exchange, Inc.

SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(G) OF THE ACT:

None

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes [X] No [_]

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulations S-K is not contained herein and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. [X]

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes [X] No [_]

The aggregate market value of W. R. Grace & Co. voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates as of June 30, 2004 (the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter) was \$298,002,498.

At February 18, 2005, 66,663,392 shares of W. R. Grace & Co. Common Stock, \$.01 par value, were outstanding.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

None.

of the ultimate allowable amount for claims that are not in dispute or have been submitted with sufficient information to both evaluate merit and estimate the value of the claim. The asbestos-related claims are considered as part of Grace's overall asbestos liability and are being accounted for in accordance with the conditions precedent under the Plan, as described in "Accounting Impact" below. As claims are resolved, or where better information becomes available and is evaluated, Grace will make adjustments to the liabilities recorded on its financial statements as appropriate. Any such adjustments could be material to its consolidated financial position and results of operations.

LITIGATION PROCEEDINGS IN BANKRUPTCY COURT - In September 2000, Grace was named in a purported class action lawsuit filed in California Superior Court for the County of San Francisco, alleging that the 1996 reorganization involving a predecessor of Grace and Fresenius and the 1998 reorganization involving a predecessor of Grace and Sealed Air were fraudulent transfers. The Bankruptcy Court authorized the Official Committee of Asbestos Personal Injury Claimants and the Official Committee of Asbestos Property Damage Claimants to proceed with claims against Fresenius and Sealed Air on behalf of the Debtors' bankruptcy estate.

On November 29, 2002, Sealed Air and Fresenius each announced that they had reached agreements in principle with such Committees to settle asbestos and fraudulent transfer claims related to such transactions (the "litigation settlement agreements"). Under the terms of the Fresenius settlement, subject to certain conditions, Fresenius would contribute \$115.0 million to the Debtors' estate as directed by the Bankruptcy Court upon confirmation of the Debtors' plan of reorganization, subject to the fulfillment of specified conditions. In July 2003, the Fresenius settlement was approved by the Bankruptcy Court. Under the terms of the proposed Sealed Air settlement, Sealed Air would make a payment of \$512.5 million (plus interest at 5.5% compounded annually, commencing on December 21, 2002) and nine million shares of Sealed Air common stock (valued at \$479.4 million as of December 31, 2004), as directed by the Bankruptcy Court upon confirmation of the Debtors' plan of reorganization. The Sealed Air settlement remains subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court and the fulfillment of specified conditions.

DEBT CAPITAL - All of the Debtors' pre-petition debt is in default due to the Filing. The accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets reflect the classification of the Debtors' pre-petition debt within "liabilities subject to compromise."

The Debtors have entered into a debtor-in-possession post-petition loan and security agreement with Bank of America, N.A. (the "DIP facility") in the aggregate amount of \$250 million. The term of the DIP facility expires on April 1, 2006.

ACCOUNTING IMPACT - The accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Position 90-7 ("SOP 90-7"), "Financial Reporting by Entities in Reorganization Under the Bankruptcy Code," promulgated by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. SOP 90-7 requires that financial statements of debtors-in-possession be prepared on a going concern basis, which contemplates continuity of operations, realization of assets and liquidation of liabilities in the ordinary course of business. However, as a result of the Filing, the realization of certain of the Debtors' assets and the liquidation of certain of the Debtors' liabilities are subject to significant uncertainty. While operating as debtors-in-possession, the Debtors may sell or otherwise dispose of assets and liquidate or settle liabilities for amounts other than those reflected in the Consolidated Financial Statements. Further, the ultimate plan of reorganization could materially change the amounts and classifications reported in the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Pursuant to SOP 90-7, Grace's pre-petition liabilities that are subject to compromise are required to be reported separately on the balance sheet at an estimate of the amount that will ultimately be allowed by the Bankruptcy Court. As of December 31, 2004, such pre-petition liabilities include fixed obligations (such as debt and contractual commitments), as well as estimates of costs related to contingent liabilities (such as asbestos-related litigation, environmental remediation, and other claims). Obligations of Grace subsidiaries not covered by the Filing continue to be classified on the Consolidated Balance Sheets based upon maturity dates or the expected dates of payment. SOP 90-7 also requires separate reporting of certain expenses, realized gains and losses, and provisions for losses related to the Filing as reorganization items.

Grace's Consolidated Financial Statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004 reflect the following adjustments:

An accrual and charge of \$714.8 million to increase Grace's recorded asbestos-related liability to that which is reflected as the maximum amount allowed under the conditions precedent to the Plan - Under the Plan, Grace is requesting that the Bankruptcy Court determine the aggregate dollar

amount, on a net present value basis, that must be funded (the "Funding Amount") into an asbestos trust (established under Section 524(g) of the Bankruptcy Code) to pay all allowed pending and future asbestos-related personal injury and property damage claims and related trust administration costs and expenses on the effective date of the Plan. It is a condition to confirmation that the Bankruptcy Court shall conclude that the Funding Amount is not greater than \$1,613 million (excluding pre-petition asbestos-related contractual settlements and judgements of \$87 million - treated as general unsecured claims), which would result in total asbestos-related liability of \$1,700 million. This amount may not be consistent with what the Bankruptcy Court may conclude would be a sufficient Funding Amount.

- O An asset and credit of \$238.2 million to increase Grace's estimate of insurance proceeds to which it would be entitled to an aggregate of \$500.0 million Under Grace's available insurance coverage, the payment of asbestos-related claims and costs will entitle Grace to partial insurance recovery. The amounts will vary with the type of expenditure and the relevant time period of the covered loss. Grace estimates that, at an ultimate payout of asbestos-related claims of \$1,700 million, it would be entitled to approximately \$500 million, on a net present value basis, of insurance recovery.
- O An accrual and charge of \$94.1 million to increase Grace's estimate of interest to which general unsecured creditors would be entitled under the Plan The Plan states that each holder of an allowed general unsecured claim shall be paid in full, plus post-petition interest, such payment to be 85% in cash and 15% in Grace stock. Post-petition interest shall accrue through the date of payment and shall be (i) for the holders of the Debtors' pre-petition bank credit facilities, at a rate of 6.09% per annum, compounded quarterly, (ii) for the holders of claims who, but for the Filing of the Chapter 11 Cases, would be entitled under a contract or otherwise to accrue or be paid interest on such claim in a non-default (or non-overdue payment) situation under applicable non-bankruptcy law, the rate provided in the contract between a Debtor(s) and the claimant or such rate as may otherwise apply under applicable non-bankruptcy law, or (iii) for all other holders of allowed general unsecured claims, at a rate of 4.19% per annum, compounded annually.
- o An asset and credit of \$151.7 million for net income tax benefits related to the items described above The net pre-tax effect of the above items on Grace's 2004 Consolidated Statement of Operations was a \$570.7 million charge to reflect the net pre-tax liability aspects of the Plan. The deferred tax benefit on this net liability is \$199.7 million at a statutory rate of 35%. Of this amount, \$48.0 million exceeds Grace's analysis of the tax assets that may be more likely than not realized under reasonable scenarios of future taxable income (exclusive of the tax effects under the litigation settlements with Sealed Air and Fresenius). Accordingly, Grace has recorded a deferred tax valuation allowance of \$48.0 million.

Grace has not recorded any assets available to fund asbestos-related and other liabilities under the litigation settlements with Sealed Air and Fresenius, as such agreements are subject to conditions which, although expected to be met, have not been satisfied and approved by the Bankruptcy Court. The value available under these litigation settlement agreements as measured at December 31, 2004, was \$1,165.7 million comprised of \$115.0 million in cash from Fresenius and \$1,050.7 million in cash and stock from Sealed Air.

Grace's Consolidated Balance Sheets separately identify the liabilities that are "subject to compromise" as a result of the Chapter 11 proceedings. In Grace's case, "liabilities subject to compromise" represent pre-petition liabilities as determined under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Changes to the recorded amount of such liabilities will be based on developments in the Chapter 11 Cases and management's assessment of the claim amounts that will ultimately be allowed by the Bankruptcy Court. Changes to pre-petition liabilities subsequent to the Filing Date reflect: 1) cash payments under approved court orders; 2) the terms of Grace's proposed plan of reorganization, as discussed above, including the accrual of interest on pre-petition debt and the adjustment to Grace's recorded asbestos-related liability; 3) accruals for employee-related programs; and 4) changes in estimates related to other pre-petition contingent liabilities.